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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 September 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-11, 12-18, and 19-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over McCalmont et al. (US 2003/0086539A1, hereinafter McCalmont).in view of O'Neil (US PAT: 6,778,818).

Regarding claim 1, McCalmont discloses a method for availing participants in a special number call event of information contained in a plurality of data stores, the method comprising the steps of: in no particular order: providing plurality of data stores (240, 248, 252, 256,264, fig. 2) providing at least one respective data key (for example latitude and longitude used as key to access database 252, fig. 1, paragraph: 40) and for accessing the information in each respective data store of the plurality of data stores, providing communication among the participants and plurality of data stores, identifying respective call as initiating a special number call event (see abstract; paragraphs: 0020, 0043, 0052-0068).

McCalmont differs from claimed invention in that he does not specifically teach: generating an identifier code for uniquely identifying the special number call event, the identifier code including relational data, the relational data being configured for mapping on the at least one respective data key to effect accessing the information, employing

communication to effect cooperation by the identifier code with each respective data store for providing the information to the participants.

However, O'Neil discloses enhanced 911 system for providing witness identification in a wireless communication system which teaches: generating an identifier code (reads on transaction ID that is unique to 911 call) for uniquely identifying the special number call event, the identifier code including relational data, the relational data being configured for mapping on the at least one respective data key to effect accessing the information, employing communication to effect cooperation by the identifier code with each respective data store for providing the information to the participants (figs. 3-7; col. 6, line 32- col. 7, line 32).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify McCalmont's system to provide for the following: generating an identifier code for uniquely identifying the special number call event, the identifier code including relational data, the relational data being configured for mapping on the at least one respective data key to effect accessing the information, employing communication to effect cooperation by the identifier code with each respective data store for providing the information to the participants as this arrangement would facilitate to retrieve information by various participants related to emergency call at a latter time by using transaction id that is unique to the emergency call as taught by O'Neil.

Regarding claims 6, 8-11, McCalmont further teaches the following: providing a plurality of data stores is effected in a subscription arrangement (paragraphs: 0009 and 0017), special number call is an emergency service call (paragraph: 0040).

McCalmont differs from claims 2-5 and 7 in that he does not specifically teach: information availed by the participants during the call event is stored in association with the identifier code, identifier code includes an indicator relating to a caller initiating the call event.

However, O'Neil teaches the following: information availed by the participants during the call event is stored in association with the identifier code (reads on transaction ID that is unique to 911 call), identifier code includes an indicator relating to a caller initiating the call event (figs. 3-7; col. 6, line 32- col. 7, line 32).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify McCalmont's system to provide for the following: information availed by the participants during the call event is stored in association with the identifier code, identifier code includes an indicator relating to a caller initiating the call event as this arrangement would facilitate to retrieve information by various participants related to emergency call at a latter time by using transaction id that is unique to the emergency call as taught by O'Neil.

Claim 12 is rejected on the same basis as claim 1.

Claims 13-18 are rejected on the same basis as claims 2-11.

Claim 19 is rejected in the same basis as claim 1.

Claims 20-27 are rejected on the same basis as claims 2-11.

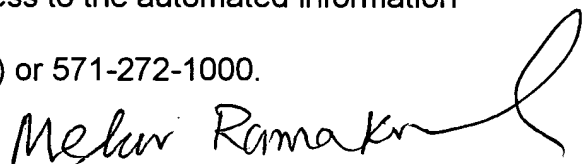
Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-27 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Melur Ramakrishnaiah whose telephone number is (571)272-8098. The examiner can normally be reached on 9 Hr schedule.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Curt Kuntz can be reached on (571) 272-7499. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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